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For : ELECTRIC COMPRESSOR WITH INVERTER

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was previously filed on February 17, 2004, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner a Chinese Office Action dated February 16, 2007, with respect to patent family member Chinese Patent Application No. 2003-10123155.6, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2002-174178 A, Applicants note that this document was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 17, 2004; and
- (2) Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2002-5024 A, together with an English Language Abstract of the same which relates to cooling a

meter driving circuit wherein a suction port to the compression mechanism is provided in an end wall of the housing.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the Japanese claims by the Japanese Examiner, is set forth in the Japanese Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. A copy of the above-noted documents, with exception of the above-noted document (1), is attached hereto, and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. A copy of English language translation of the Chinese Office Action is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

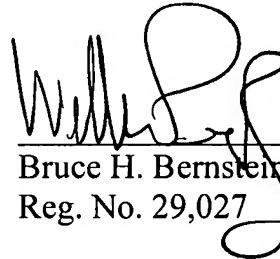
Applicants note that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to the issuance of a Non-Final Office Action on the merits, but before the issuance of a Final Office Action on the merits. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), Applicants hereby certify that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement, with the exception of previously cited document (1), was first cited in any communication from an foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. Thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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